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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

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Supplemented and Unsupplemented Tissue Sealants, Methods of Their

Production and Use

Inventors:

Drohan et al.

Our Ref:

1327.0440006/JAG/EEF/PSC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

A Miscellaneous Communication; 1.

2. A copy of a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, executed by Stanley A. Friedman, with Exhibits A and B attached; and

3. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Further to our conversation with Examiner Marshall of December 10, please find enclosed a copy of a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 executed by Stanley A. Friedman, with Exhibits A and B attached. This Declaration was referred to in the Office Action dated February 23, 1999 and in the response dated August 23, 1999. The Declaration was originally submitted February 26, 1999 in U.S. Application No. 08/474,086, filed June 7, 1995.

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